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Bank Robbery

Around 10:30 this morning, officers responded to a call for a bank robbery at the San Antonio Federal Credit Union, 6851 N FM 1604 W. Three suspects armed with shotguns and a handgun entered the bank, demanded money and fled in a white vehicle. A short time later, a vehicle on fire was called in. This vehicle matched the description of the suspect's getaway vehicle. The suspects were then spotted in a truck traveling on Loop 410 westbound. Officers began to pursue the suspects continuing to follow them onto Hwy 90 westbound, IH 35 southbound and into Medina County with our helicopter, Bexar County Sheriff's deputies and DPS Troopers joining in the pursuit. Along the way, the suspects pulled out their weapons and began firing at San Antonio police cruisers, citizen's vehicles, Bexar County and DPS vehicles, blowing out windows, flattening tires and damaging engines. Dozens of vehicles were shot at. No San Antonio Police Officers, citizens, or Bexar County deputies were injured.

The pursuit ended in Medina County after the suspect lost control of the vehicle and flipped it over at 35 S just south of Lytle, Texas. The three suspects surrendered to law enforcement officials.

The three suspects were found to be wearing bullet resistant vests and armed with shotguns and semi-automatic weapons.

Any further information pertaining to the suspects or the condition of the DPS Trooper should be directed to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

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